

Adele Macula was born and raised in Jersey City, where she would go on to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Jersey City State College (now known as New Jersey City University) and a Master of Arts in Education in Computer Science/Data Processing from Saint Peter's College. She also earned her doctorate in Educational Administration from Seton Hall University. Dr. Macula began her career as an elementary school teacher in the Jersey City Public School District in 1978, was promoted to District Supervisor for Programs that Maximize Potential in 1993, then to Special Assistant for the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in 1999, and finally to Associate Superintendent in 2000. She has also taught as an adjunct professor at Fairleigh Dickinson University in the Masters in Teaching Program, and at Seton Hall University in the Executive Doctorate in Education Program. Dr. Macula has served on many district and state-wide education committees and has presented at local, state, national, and international conferences.

Dr. Macula has developed and implemented award-winning programs which have received recognition from the State of New Jersey as a Best Practice and national recognition by the American Association of School Administrators. She has also created collaborative professional learning programs for teachers and administrators, serving as a co-designer of the ECLIPSE! (Educational and Collaborative Leadership Institute for Principals and Supervisors Extraordinaire!) Program for new and aspiring administrators. Dr. Macula has written State and Federal grants which resulted in the Jersey City Public School District being awarded over \$10 million.

For her career-long dedication to education in Jersey City, Dr. Macula has received numerous prestigious awards. She was the recipient of the Boys and Girls Club of Hudson County's Brian C. Doherty Community Service Award for 2011. The New Jersey Association for Supervision and Curriculum (NJASCD) awarded her the Dr. Ernest L. Boyer 2009 Outstanding Educator Award. In 2007, she was presented with both the "Service Above Self" Community Service Award by the Rotary Club of Jersey City Daybreak, and the Women's History Month "Award for Contributions to Multicultural Education" by the Jersey City Public Schools. In 2004, New Jersey City University granted Dr. Macula its Distinguished Education Alumni Award, making her the first-ever recipient of this honor.

Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Dr. Adele Macula on an impressive career, to honor her many achievements in the field of education, and to thank her for her many years of hard work on behalf of the students and teachers of Jersey City.

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF PETER G. LEFEVRE

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Peter G. LeFevre. Mr. LeFevre has served in the Office of the Law Revision Counsel for 30 years, and has spent the past 7 years as the head of that Office. He will retire on June 1, 2011.

The job of the Law Revision Counsel primarily involves two tasks. The first is maintaining the United States Code. Mr. LeFevre determines what part of the legislation that Congress enacts every year is law of a general and permanent nature that should be written into the Code, finds the best place in the Code to put each enactment, and accurately restates the legislation as part of the Code. The second task is to revise the existing titles of the Code. Mr. LeFevre takes out obsolete provisions, corrects errors, clears up ambiguities, improves the structure, and prepares codification bills for the Judiciary Committee to enact the old titles as new positive law titles of the Code.

Mr. LeFevre's leadership has earned him regard by his colleagues as the master of the Code. His great attention to detail, ability to retain detailed information, and long experience have given Mr. LeFevre an encyclopedic knowledge of the Code. While being respectful of the practices of the Office, he has simultaneously encouraged his staff to rethink the way things are done in order to streamline the work without sacrificing accuracy. He has fostered a collegial atmosphere in the Office, where new ideas are welcomed and given thoughtful and fair consideration. Mr. LeFevre's dedication to the Office of the Law Revision Counsel and its staff has earned him the admiration of all who know him.

Mr. Speaker, I sincerely thank Mr. LeFevre for his important contributions to the work of the House and wish him many happy and fulfilling years of retirement.

TRIBUTE TO CHIEF RANDY SCHOEN

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Randy Schoen, chief of police for the City of Medford, Oregon. Upon his upcoming retirement from the Medford Police Department on June 20, 2011, I want to thank Chief Schoen for his service to the state of Oregon as he begins a new chapter of his life.

Chief Schoen began his law enforcement career in 1978 with the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety and later joined the Medford Police Department in 1984, where he earned the rank of chief in 2007. Throughout his career, Chief Schoen worked tirelessly to implement cost-effective police services, stand as a steward for public resources, and serve and protect the citizens of Oregon.

As chief of police he often referred to the police department as "the only 24 hour broker of social services," and throughout his police career he operated under the motto that no call is too small.

Chief Schoen's career has been a history full of force improvements and innovative practices that improved the efficiency of the force. As a sergeant early in his career, he observed that sworn police officers were delivering court documents, enforcing minor city ordinances, and serving subpoenas. To better allow sworn police officers to focus on fighting crime, he began Medford's Community Service Officer, CSO. The CSO program primarily

hires college students who aim to become police officers. This program provides an opportunity for the police department to review, monitor, and train a potential police officer's commitment to service, character, and work ethic.

In addition, then-Sergeant Schoen also developed Medford's first K9 and SWAT programs. Over the years, the K9 team has grown to five dogs and the SWAT team has developed into an interagency squad. Both programs have won numerous awards and have been recognized as among Oregon's premier policing practices.

In 1999, Schoen was promoted to deputy chief of operations, where he worked on a strategic plan to shape the future of the Medford Police Department. His plan improved service, saved money, and created an environment in which officers were encouraged to pursue excellence and continued professional improvement.

Among the successful programs in Chief Schoen's plan was the Medford Volunteer Program, which now has over 40 volunteers. In 2009, the labor provided by these volunteers was conservatively valued at \$100,000.

Within the police department, Chief Schoen has improved the evaluation process and the availability of career resources. Officers can now refer to a career guide to help them set goals towards achieving their desired position within the department. In addition, the department now has a mentoring program available to any employee committed to self improvement. Chief Schoen strongly believes if you recognize and celebrate great performances, it encourages others to improve themselves. For this reason, he has also instituted a rewards program that includes a payday bulletin highlighting outstanding performances, an awards banquet, and the Master Police Officer program, which rewards an exemplary patrol officer to serve as an assistance supervisor to the sergeant.

In 2007, Randy Schoen was appointed chief of police and has continued his distinguished career with the Medford Police Department. While the City of Medford and the department will surely miss his leadership, Chief Schoen has helped build the Medford Police Department into a stronger organization that will continue to improve thanks, in no small measure, to the strong foundation he leaves behind.

Mr. Speaker, on June 20, 2011, Chief Randy Schoen will retire from the Medford Police Department after 33 years of exemplary public service. I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing Chief Schoen all the best as he begins retirement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TREY GOWDY

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. GOWDY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 338, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present I would have voted, "yes."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 364, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. PATRICIA DOLLY AS ZETA PHI BETA'S LAMBDA RHO ZETA CHAPTER 2011 WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Patricia Dolly who is being honored as the 2011 Woman of the Year by the Lambda Rho Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta for her many accomplishments in the community.

Dr. Dolly boasts an impressive resume of both professional and volunteer accomplishments over the breadth of her career. In her current role as President of Oakland Community College's (OCC) Auburn Hills campus, she has invested considerable resources into working with local school districts to bring the Achieving the Dream program to her campus. This program offers students in nearby school districts the opportunity to earn up to 35 college credit hours before graduating high school, giving them a competitive advantage as they seek higher education. During her tenure, Dr. Dolly has continued her successful track record of grant writing, which has resulted in 19 grants and over \$11.7 million brought in to the institutions where she has worked. Included in this accomplishment is a \$1.9 million grant she secured from the U.S. Department of Labor to fund new equipment, implement additional job training for 400 employees, curriculum development for OCC's nanotechnology program and faculty, which has improved the quality of the education of the over 8,000 students who walk through the doors of OCC's Auburn Hills campus each semester.

As a leader, Dr. Dolly has been involved in a number of community focused volunteer programs. In addition to her work at OCC, Dr. Dolly also serves as chairperson of the Auburn Hills Chamber of Commerce; working to provide local businesses the tools they need to thrive and become engaged participants within their community. Dr. Dolly also serves on the Board of Directors for Oakland Family Services providing crucial support to at-risk youth and families. As an ever ready advocate, Dr. Dolly has devoted significant energy and focus to advancing the principles of diversity and inclusion in the workplace, a topic on which she has written several papers and spoken at many events.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Dr. Dolly's profound impact on the communities she has served. Her commitment to providing leadership and service are outstanding virtues which have impacted the lives of so many. I wish her many

years of continued service to the community and many great family moments to come.

HONORING THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING

HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the people of the Republic of Azerbaijan, a strong strategic partner and ally of the United States, and congratulate them on celebrating their Republic Day on May 28. As co-chair of the Congressional Caucus on Turkey, I have been particularly interested in the development of nations in the Middle East and Central Asia.

On May 28, 1920, Azerbaijan declared its independence from the rapidly disintegrating Russian Empire. In doing so, Azerbaijan not only adopted a democratic form of government, but it also granted women the right to vote and embraced many other integral cornerstones of democracy.

Sadly, their independence was cut tragically short when the Soviet Union invaded the nation in 1920 and ended Azerbaijan's dream of democracy in the 20th Century. That dream re-emerged in 1991 with the disintegration of the Soviet Union, and Azerbaijan declared its independence yet again and rejoined the world's community of democratic Nations. Having lived under Soviet rule, the people of Azerbaijan appreciate their role in a democratic civil society.

Azerbaijan's geographical location has made it a crossroads for interaction between a number of diverse nations and religious traditions. This position has given it a unique ability to serve as a cultural and political bridge between traditionally Western and Eastern viewpoints. It also has a proud history of influential writers and artists, and its people have made a tremendous impact on the rich cultural framework of the South Caucasus region.

I congratulate the people of Azerbaijan, and commend them on their continued efforts and commitment to build a strong and vibrant democracy in the critically important region of the South Caucasus.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE POMPEO

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. POMPEO. Mr. Speaker, on May 26th, I missed rollcall vote No. 376 because I was in Kansas for a funeral.

Rollcall No. 376 was a vote on the Small Business Additional Temporary Extension Act of 2011. Had I been present, I would have voted, "yes."

DON'T DELAY REPEAL OF "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL"

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, last year, the House of Representatives approved historic legislation that repealed the Defense Department policy known as "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." For too long, this discriminatory policy forced many patriotic Americans who wanted to serve their nation to decide against military service, lie about their sexual orientation, or leave the military against their will. It was shameful that Don't Ask, Don't Tell was allowed to continue for so many years, and it gave me tremendous pride to support the policy's repeal last year.

I am very disappointed that H.R. 1540, the Fiscal Year 2012 National Defense Authorization Act, included section 533, which would add a further step on the path to final repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell. It requires that each of the Armed Forces service chiefs approve repeal. While I believe that the input of the military is critical to a smooth transition to open military service, the current process that is already underway to repeal Don't Ask, Don't Tell includes significant input from the uniformed military personnel and Defense Department leadership. In fact, under current law, the policy only ends 60 days after the President, Secretary of Defense, and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff approve a Defense Department report confirming that the repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell will not harm military readiness. Section 533 is nothing more than an attempt to delay final repeal.

I supported final passage of H.R. 1540 because I strongly believe that the overwhelming majority of the provisions and policies in the legislation are good for our men and women in uniform and for the national security of the United States. However, I oppose the inclusion of section 533 or any other provision to delay the repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell in a final conference report on the Fiscal Year 2012 Defense Authorization Act. At a time of global military engagement, we simply cannot afford to tell patriotic men and women that they are unfit to serve because of who they love.

NATIONAL CRITICAL CARE
AWARENESS AND RECOGNITION
MONTH

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 31, 2011

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise in support of National Critical Care Awareness and Recognition Month and applaud the work of the nation's critical care medical professionals, including the doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists and pharmacists, among others, who provide care to the nearly five million Americans admitted into traditional, surgical, pediatric or neo-natal intensive care units each year. These patients require a specialized level of care that is technology-intensive, requires continuous monitoring, and involves a high use of tests, medications and procedures.